

# International Atomic Energy Agency Technical Committee Meeting “Innovative Approaches to Fusion Energy”

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## Programme

### Sunday, October 19

16.00-19.00 Registration - First Floor, Livermore Rooms

18.00-20.00 Reception (no-host bar) - First Floor, Livermore Rooms

### Monday, October 20

7.30-8.30 Registration - Second Floor Foyer (by Dublin Room)

8.30-10.15 Opening Session. Chairman: K. Thomassen (Livermore, USA) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

8.30-8.45	T. Dolan (IAEA)	Opening Remarks
8.45-9.30	R. Schock (Livermore, USA)	Energy, Global Sustainability, and National Security (Invited Talk)
9.30-10.15	R. Goldston (Princeton, USA)	Implications of Recent Tokamak Research for Other Approaches to Toroidal Confinement (Invited Talk)

10.15-10.50 Coffee Break.

10.50-12.30 High-Beta Pulsed. Chairman: L. Qiu, Hefei, China - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

10.50-11.15	V. Mokhov (Arzamas, Russia)	Studying the Feasibility of Thermonuclear Magnetized Plasma Generation in Magnetic Implosion System Mago
11.15-11.40	K. Schoenberg (Los Alamos, USA)	Affordable Development of Fusion Using Magnetized Target Fusion
11.40-12.05	V. Koidan (Novosibirsk, Russia)	Fast Heating of a Dense Plasma and Prospects of $\beta \geq 1$ Experiments at the GOL-3-II Facility
12.05-12.30	F. Thio (Auckland, N. Zealand)	An Embodiment of the Magnetized Target Fusion Concept in a Spherical Geometry with Stand-Off Drivers

12.30-14.00 Lunch.

14.00-15.35 Technology 1. Chairman: M. Fujiwara (Nagoya, Japan) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

14.00-14.45	G. Kessler (Karlsruhe, Germany)	The Future of Fission Reactors (Invited Talk)
14.45-15.10	L. Qiu (Hefei, China)	Fusion-Fission Hybrid Reactor Research Program in China
15.10-15.35	M. Ishikawa (Kyoto, Japan)	Numerical Study of Direct Energy Converters for a Deuterium-Helium FRC Fusion Reactor

15.35-16.00, Coffee break.

16.00-19.00 Poster Session 1. Pulsed Fusion Systems, ICF, Technology - Second Floor, Concord Room

## **Tuesday, October 21**

8.30-10.30 FRC's and D-<sup>3</sup>He. Chairman: G. Miley (Urbana, USA) - First Floor, Amador Rooms

8.30-9.15	H. Momota (Nagoya, Japan)	Attractive Characteristics and Issues for Developing Deuterium and Helium 3 Fusion Reactor on the Base of a Field-Reversed Configuration (Invited Talk)
9.15-9.40	A. Hoffman (Seattle, USA)	Flux Build-Up in FRCs Using Rotating Magnetic Fields
9.40-10.05	S. Goto (Osaka, Japan)	Experimental Study on Translation and Confinement-Related Phenomena of an FRC Plasma
10.05-10.30	R. Kurtmullaev (Troitsk, Russia)	Self-Organized Compact Torus as Approach to Low-Scale Fusion System with One-Step Shock Ignition

10.30-10.50 Coffee Break.

10.50-12.30 Technology 2. Chairman: G. Kessler (Karlsruhe, Germany) - First Floor, Amador Rooms

10.50-11.15	E. Kruglyakov (Novosibirsk, Russia)	Axisymmetrical Gas Dynamic Trap as a High Power 14 MeV Neutron Source. Modern Version
11.15-11.40	R. Wooley (Princeton, USA)	Synergistic Use of Liquid Lithium as Self-Protecting First Wall, Tritium Breeder, and LMMHD Electric Power Producer
11.40-12.05	V. Karas (Kharkov, The Ukraine)	Linear Induction Accelerator for Charge-Neutralized Ion Beams in Inertial Confinement Fusion
12.05-12.30	V. Chernyshev (Arzamas, Russia)	High-Power Explosive Magnetic Energy Sources for Thermonuclear Applications

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.35 Dipoles and Electrostatic. Co-Chairmen: M. Porkolab, J. Kesner (Cambridge, USA) - First Floor, Amador Rooms

14.00-14.25	M. Mauel (New York, USA)	The Dipole Plasma Confinement Concept
14.25-14.50	J. Dawson (Los Angeles, USA)	The Magnetic Dipole as Attractive Fusion Reactor
14.50-15.15	V. Pistunovich (Moscow, Russia)	Galathea Traps as Alternative Basis for Fusion Reactors
15.15-15.40	R. Nebel (Los Alamos, USA)	The Los Alamos Intense Neutron Source and the Penning Fusion Experiment

15.40-16.00 Coffee Break

16.00-18.30 Special Discussion Session: Potential Impact of Technology Advances on Alternative Reactor Concepts. Chairman: J. Dawson (Los Angeles, USA). Panelists (in an alphabetic order)\*: V. Chernyshev (Arzamas, Russia), S. Cohen (Princeton, USA), A. Friedman (Livermore, USA), H. G. Logan (Livermore, USA), H. Momota (Nagoya, Japan), S. Nakai (Osaka, Japan)

\* Not all confirmations received

Some issues for discussion:

- What fusion-related technology advances can one expect in the next 20 years?
- What technological issues should be resolved to make your concept of the fusion reactor workable?
- What impact would have the following technology advances on your system: High-efficiency direct energy converters; New remote maintenance capabilities (e.g., a frequent replacement of the reactor core); Small-bore very high field coils; Possibility of increasing average heat load on the wall; Neutronically thick liquid walls; High-precision NBI's with a capability of pre-programmed time-variation of the energy; New laser drivers?
- What are your expectations for other major breakthroughs in fusion-related technologies?
- In what areas of technology development could/should the fusion community take the lead?

19.30-21.30 Conference Dinner (No-host bar from 18.30) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

## Wednesday, October 22

8.30-10.30 Spherical Tori and Spheromaks. Chairman: R. Blanken (Washington DC, USA) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

8.30-9.15	T. Todd (Culham, United Kingdom)	The Spherical Tokamak Route to Fusion Power Applications (Invited Talk)
9.15-9.40	M. Peng (Princeton, USA)	Scientific Innovations of Interest to NSTX Research
9.40-10.05	B. Hooper (Livermore, USA)	Addressing Spheromak Physics in the Sustained Spheromak Physics Experiment, SSPX
10.05-10.30	M. Yamada (Princeton, USA)	MRX-CT Experiment, Study of Compact Toroids Formed by Induction and Merging

10.30-10.50 Coffee Break

10.50-13.00 Poster Session 2: Closed and Open Field Line Configurations - Second Floor, Concord Room

13.00-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.35 RFPs and Stellarators. Chairman: H. Momota (Nagoya, Japan) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

14.00-14.45	S. Prager (Madison, USA)	The Reversed Field Pinch: Advances and Prospects (Invited Talk)
14.45-15.10	K. Hayase (Tsukuba, Japan)	Divertor RFP Plasma and Some Considerations at Ignited Plasma Conditions
15.10-15.35	P. Moroz (Madison, USA)	Two Novel Compact Toroidal Concepts with Stellarator Features

15.35-16.00 Coffee Break

16.00-18.30 Special Discussion Session “International Collaboration in Alternative Concepts”. Chairman: T. Dolan (IAEA). Panelists (in an alphabetic order): R. Goldston (Princeton, USA), G. Kessler (Karlsruhe, Germany), E. Kruglyakov (Novosibirsk, Russia), I. Lindemuth (Los Alamos, USA). H. Momota (Nagoya, Japan), L. Qiu (Hefei, China).

Some issues for discussion:

- Coordination of research;
- Sharing equipment;
- Exchanging experimental teams for specialized measurements;
- National and international "user facilities";
- Ways of raising the status of alternative research within the national programs;
- Optimum selection procedures for identifying the most promising concepts;
- Possible role of the IAEA and the ITER process;
- Possible contribution of developing countries;
- Similarities and differences with other international projects.

19.00-21.00 A Satellite Meeting Organized by I. Lindemuth (Los Alamos, USA): “Magnetized Target Fusion”

## Thursday, October 23

8.30-10.30 Inertial Confinement Fusion. Chairman: E. Panarella (Hull, Canada) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

8.30-9.15	S. Nakai (Osaka, Japan)	Prospects of Inertial Fusion Energy - Technical and Economical Feasibilities (Invited Talk)
9.15-9.40	M. Tabak (Livermore, USA)	Ignition and High Gain with Ultra-Powerful Lasers
9.40-10.05	R. Bangerter (Berkeley, USA)	Innovative Approaches to Heavy Ion Inertial Fusion - Revolution or Evolution?
10.05-10.30	A. Friedman (Livermore, USA)	Beam Dynamics for HIF

10.30-10.50 Coffee Break

10.50-12.30 Mirrors. Chairman: V. Koidan (Novosibirsk, Russia) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

10.50-11.15	K. Yatsu (Tsukuba, Japan)	Plasma Confinement in Gamma 10 and Tandem Mirror Reactor
11.15-11.40	A. Ivanov (Novosibirsk, Russia)	Experimental Studies of Plasma Confinement and Heating in Gas-Dynamic Trap
11.40-12.05	R. Post (Livermore, USA)	Open-Ended Systems: Some Possible New Directions
12.05-12.30	T. Tamano (Tsukuba, Japan)	D-He <sup>3</sup> Tandem Mirror Approach

13.00-14.00 Lunch

14.00-15.35 Z-pinches and Plasma Foci. Chairman: V. Mokhov (Arzamas, Russia) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

14.00-14.45	V. Smirnov (Troitsk, Russia)	Development of Double Liner Scheme - Dynamic Hohlraum for Pellet Ignition (Invited Talk)
14.45-15.10	M. Sadowski (Swierk, Poland)	Unsolved Problems and Future Prospects of Plasma-Focus Research
15.10-15.35	H. Soliman (Cairo, Egypt)	Dense Plasma Focus Dynamics

15.40-16.00 Coffee Break

16.00-17.00 Summary Session. L.J. Perkins, D. Ryutov (Livermore, USA) - Second Floor, Dublin/Pleasanton Rooms

**Poster session 1: Pulsed Fusion Systems, ICF, Technology (Monday, October 20, 16.00-19.00) - Second Floor, Concord Room**

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| 1. J. Barnard (Livermore, USA)     | Induction Accelerators for Heavy Ion Fusion: Architectures and Options  |
| 2. Z. Henis (Yavne, Israel)        | Measurements of Axial magnetic Fields Produced by the Interaction of Circularly Polarized Laser Light with Plasma in a Miniature Magnetic Bottle  |
| 3.R. Kaita (Princeton, USA)        | Development of Plasma Heating and Diagnostic Techniques on CDX-U for the Spherical Torus  |
| 4. V. Koidan (Novosibirsk, Russia) | Concept of a Pulsed Multi-Mirror Reactor  |
| 5. A. Kukushkin (Moscow, Russia)   | Self-Formation and Self-Compression of a Heterogeneous Spheromak-Like Magnetic Configuration in Short-Pulse Discharges and Proof of Concept Experiments on the Magnetic Implosion and Compression of a Heterogeneous Compact toroid |
| 6. I. Lindemuth (Los Alamos, USA)  | US/Russian Collaboration: Progress in Magnetized target Fusion  |
| 7. C. Marshall (Livermore, USA)    | Diode-Pumped Solid-State Laser-Driven Inertial Fusion Energy  |
| 8. T. Miyamoto (Tokyo, Japan)      | Fusion Approach Based on Sheet Z-Pinches  |
| 9. R. Moir (Livermore, USA)        | Ultra-High Wall Load Fusion Concepts with Liquid Walls  |
| 10.E. Panarella (Hull, Canada)     | A Review of Spherical Pinch Research  |
| 11. P. Parks (San Diego, USA)      | Magneto Inertial Confinement: A High-Gain Approach to Pulsed Power Fusion   |
| 12. J. Perkins (Livermore, USA)    | Coulomb Barrier Reduction Methods for Fusion  |
| 13. M. Schaffer (San Diego, USA)   | Slow Liner Fusion   |
| 14. R. Siemon (Los Alamos, USA)    | Magnetized Target Fusion: Principles and Status   |
| 15. P. Sheehey (Los Alamos, USA)   | Computational Modeling of Joint US-Russian Experiments Relevant to Compression/Magnetized Target Fusion   |
| 16. V. Yakubov (Arzamas, Russia)   | On Possibility of Low-Dense Magnetized D-T Plasma Ignition Threshold Achievement in MAGO System   |
| 17. Y. Yasaka (Kyoto, Japan)       | Basic Experiment on a Traveling Wave Direct Energy Converter for D <sup>3</sup> He Fusion Reactor   |
| 18. V. Zoita (Bucharest, Romania)  | Dense Pinch-Driven Fusion-Fission Hybrid Reactor  |

**Poster session 2: Closed and Open Field Line Configurations (Wednesday, October 22, 10.50-13.00) - Second Floor, Concord Room**

1. M. Brown (Swarthmore, USA) Spheromak Formation, Equilibrium and Merging Experiments on SSX
2. S. Cohen (Princeton, USA) Elimination of Plasma-Material Interaction Problem in an Advanced Fuel Magnetic Fusion Reactor
3. G. Dimov (Novosibirsk, Russia) Tandem Mirror Fusion Reactor Concept. The Key Problems
4. A. Frank (Moscow, Russia) Galathea-Belt Plasma Configurations - Main principles and First Experimental Results
5. A. Ivanov (Novosibirsk, Russia) Fusion Reactor Concept on the Basis of Gas Dynamic Trap
6. T.R. Jarboe (Seattle, USA) Steady-State Inductive Helicity Injection for Flux Conserver Spheromaks
7. H. Ji (Princeton, USA) Physics Issues and Engineering Design of MRX-CT
8. V. Khvesyuk (Moscow, Russia) Alfvén Instabilities in FRC
9. V. Khvesyuk (Moscow, Russia) Analysis of D-<sup>3</sup>He-<sup>6</sup>Li Fuel Cycle
10. G. Miley (Urbana, USA) IEC Concept for Fusion Applications
11. S. Okada (S. Okada, Japan) Heating of FRC by a Magnetic Pulse and a Proposal for Axial Magnetic Compression
12. V. Pistunovich (Moscow, Russia) Mixina Concept for the Experimental Galathea Reactor
13. M. Schaffer (San Diego, USA) Helical-D Pinch
14. S. Shiina (Tokyo, Japan) Resistive Kink-Mode-Stable, Higher Beta Reversed Field Pinch Configuration with RF Current Drive
15. L. Steinhauer (Seattle, USA) High-Beta Relaxed Plasmas for Fusion Applications
16. Y. Tomita (Nagoya, Japan) Collisionless Pitch Angle Scattering and Related Loss Process of Plasma Particles in a Field Reversed Configuration